

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
Geography Division, ORR  
Project Initiation Memorandum

TO: Chief, Geographic Research

Project No.: 69.1604

FROM: Chief, Geography Division

Date: 7 November 57

1. Subject of Proposed Project: **Assessment of U. S. and Soviet Capabilities in Geodesy and Cartography for intercontinental missile guidance.**
2. Statement of Problem: (Outline to be attached)
  - a. Appraisal of Soviet capabilities.
  - b. Assessment of Soviet knowledge of U. S. capabilities.

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3. Requester: [REDACTED] **AD/SI**

4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a Branch: **OG/X**

5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from:
- a. Other divisions of the Geographic Area (include maps):
  - b. D/GL Domestic Procurement:
  - c. Other parts of CIA:
  - d. Outside CIA:

6. Estimated Man Hours: **120 hours**

7. Probable Completion Date: **end of November 57**

8. Probable Form of Final Publication: **O/I**

9. Special Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Finished Report:

10. Comments:

**To requester only for incorporation in a special NIE.  
This request was channeled through Acting AD/RP.**

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Assistant Director, ORR

**22 NOV 1957**  
Date